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E. SCHWELIN,  
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Hongkong, April 12, 1881.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.  
(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

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" 12 "	" 5% "

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GEO. O. SCOTT,  
Acting Manager.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.  
Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

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Chairman—A. McIVER, Esq.  
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T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

Office of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East.  
Hongkong, April 19, 1881.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

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A. G. STOKES,  
Acting Secretary.  
Hongkong, March 12, 1881.

## To Let.

TO LET.  
"NULLAH SIDE," POKFULUM ROAD, lately occupied by Mr J. M. ARMSTRONG. And, No. 2, Old Bailey Street. Also, No. 3, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

Apply to  
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.  
Hongkong, April 23, 1881.

TO LET.  
THE SECOND FLOOR OF HOUSE, No. 4, PRAYA EAST (known as the "BLUE HOUSE"); with Possession on the 1st of May.

Also,  
GROUND FLOORS OF HOUSES, Nos. 2, 3 and 4, PRAYA EAST. Nos. 2 and 3, with immediate Possession; and No. 4, with Possession on the 1st of May.

Apply to  
MEYER & Co.  
Hongkong, April 13, 1881. my13

TO LET.  
ON MARINE LOT No. 65, FIRST-CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS.

Apply to  
MEYER & Co.  
Hongkong, July 25, 1879.

GODOWNS-TO LET.  
PRAYA EAST AND WANCHAI ROAD. For Particulars, apply to  
SIEMSEN & Co.  
Hongkong, January 21, 1881.

TO LET.  
THE DWELLING HOUSE—No. 31, WELLINGTON STREET.  
ROOMS IN CLUB CHAMBERS, suitable for Offices or Chambers.

The DWELLING HOUSE, No. 38, CAINE ROAD; Possession from 1st April.

Apply to  
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, March 26, 1881.

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FOR SALE.  
JULES MUMM & Co.'s  
CHAMPAGNE.  
Quarts.....\$16 per 1 doz. Case.  
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Hongkong, February 2, 1880.

NOW READY.  
PRICE, \$100  
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Can be obtained from KELLY & WALSH at Shanghai and Hongkong, at LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong, and at the China Mail Office.

Hongkong, December 6, 1879.

NOW READY.  
A COMPLETE REPRINT, in Pamphlet Form, of the proceedings in the REGENT LEBEL CASE of  
REGINA V. PITMAN,  
containing the whole of the Proceedings at the Police Court, full report of the trial in Criminal Sessions, with connected Correspondence and comments of the Press. To which is now added a Report of the Case of  
PITMAN V. KESWICK  
AND OTHERS.

Price per Copy, - - - 50 CENTS.

Orders are now being booked.

China Mail Office,  
Hongkong, April 13, 1881.

Ninth Volume of the  
"CHINA REVIEW."

Now Ready.

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CONTAINS—  
Serape from Chinese Mythology.  
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Notes on the Korean Language.  
The "Tai-hai" King; or the Respiration of the Embryo.  
The Ju Shing Considered in its Relation to the Remaining Tones.  
The Intermittent Question.  
Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.  
Notes and Queries—  
Botanical Notes.  
The Arabic Numerals.  
A Chinese Pilgrim on the Way to Mecca.  
Chinese Mahometans at Mecca.  
How Musk is Made.  
Tales from Chinese History.  
Chinese Proverbs.  
The Various Kinds of Chinese Ink.  
The Curious Inscription at Mecca.  
The Arayan Origin of the Cambodians.  
Large Notes.  
"Tham."  
Stone Icons.  
Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.  
Hongkong, March 18, 1881.

WASHINGTON BOOKS.  
(In English and Chinese.)  
WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now be had at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.  
China Mail Office.

## For Sale.

KELLY & WALSH  
HAVE JUST RECEIVED  
A. B. C. TELEGRAPH CODES.  
A great Quantity of NOVELTIES, suitable for Presents, from VIENNA, PARIS and LONDON.

Miss Bird's "Japan," 2 Vols.  
Shook's "Steam Boilers."  
"The Royal Romances," Japanese Illustrations.

"Year Book Facts for 1881."  
"Hongkong to Himalayas," by Clark.  
Laxton's "Price Book for 1881."  
"Memoirs of Madame de Remusat."  
Goldie's "Life of Christ."  
Roodhals' "Muscles and Nerves."  
Lee's "Laws of Shipping," new edition.  
Knox's "Siam and Java."  
Froude's "Short Studies."  
Marshall's "Through America."  
Brewer's "Reader's Hand-book."  
Matheson's "Aid Book to Engineering Enterprises."

LETTER WRITERS.  
"Japanese Papers," Dr. Oiley's.  
Hongkong, April 18, 1881.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.  
MESSRS SAYLE & Co. respectfully beg to inform their Customers and the Public that they have REMOVED from their Old Premises "THE VICTORIA EXCHANGE" into the Building situated nearly opposite, between Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s and Messrs LINDSEY & DAVIS', and generally known as "THE CROSBY'S STORE." BUSINESS will be CONDUCTED in these Commodious PREMISES during the Re-building of the "Exchange," and every attention will be given to endeavour to secure continued Patronage.

Hongkong, April 30, 1881. my14

## Intimations.

TENDERS will be RECEIVED at this Office up till Noon of SATURDAY, 12th Proximo, for the REPAIR of the LIGHTER SLIP in the NAVAL YARD, according to Specification and Conditions, which may be seen on application to the Undersigned.

The lowest or any Tender will not be necessarily accepted.

GEORGE COLES,  
For Naval Storekeeper.

H. M. Naval Yard,  
Hongkong, April 23, 1881. my7

NOTICE.  
TENDERS will be RECEIVED in the SHANGHAI CONSULATE (Bootham Road, Ball's Court, No. 1), up to the 11th Inst., at Noon, for the CONSTRUCTION of a STEAM ENGINE compound system, with BOILER, about 10 Horses Effective Power, with a Surface Condenser.

For further Information, about the space assigned to said Engine and other Particulars, apply to the Undersigned.

Builders intending to Tender are requested to present plans, which in case of being not admitted will be returned to the owner.

A. MENCARINI,  
Consult for Spain.

Hongkong, May 3, 1881. my10

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.  
NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS.

IN Accordance with the Articles of Agreement, the Directors have declared a DIVIDEND of 10 per cent. on the Twelve Months ending 31st December 1880, of TWENTY-TWO PER CENT. on the NET PREMIUM CONTRIBUTED, Payable at the Office of the Undersigned, on and after the 16th Instant.

Policy-holders are requested to send in Particulars of their Contributions.

By Order of the Directors,  
RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, May 4, 1881. jek4

THE "FAR EAST."  
THE ISSUES OF 1878 WANTED.  
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## Insurances.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
(FIRE AND LIFE).  
CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

Agents,  
NORTON & Co.,  
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

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Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

## Insurances.

THAMES AND MERSEY MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.  
HEAD OFFICE—1, ROYAL EXCHANGE BUILDINGS, LONDON.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS in HONGKONG and CHINA for the above Company are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at Current Rates, allowing usual Discounts.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, May 3, 1881.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED).  
NOTICE.

POLICIES GRANTED at current rates on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two-thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, April 6, 1881. 6ap82

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.  
THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELOCHERS & Co.,  
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.  
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.  
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1729.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows—

Marine Department.  
Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.  
Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.  
Policies issued for sums not exceeding \$5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.  
PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.  
FROM SAN FRANCISCO AND YOKOHAMA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the Company's Steamship CITY OF PEKING, from the above Ports, are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Steamer will be at once landed, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense, and no Fire Insurance will be effected.

RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, May 3, 1881. my10

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.  
THE Steamship Glenlyon having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium—are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 2 p.m. To-day, the 4th May.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 11th Instant will be subject to the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.  
Hongkong, May 4, 1881. my11

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. Their Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Ex Ausady.  
H. S. 2380, - - - 1 case Colours, Order.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, May 2, 1881.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. Their Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

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## Shipping.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.  
FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.  
(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for CHEFOO, NEWCHANG, TIEN-TSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSE.)

The Co.'s Steamship "Menelaus," Captain J. NICO, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 7th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, May 5, 1881. my7

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.  
FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

The Co.'s Steamship "Patroclus," Captain M. R. WHITE, will be despatched on or about the 9th May.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, April 28, 1881.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.  
FOR YOKOHAMA (DIRECT.)

The Co.'s Steamship "Cyclops," Captain C. BUTLER, will be despatched on or about the 11th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, May 3, 1881.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.  
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship "Teucer," Captain R. T. POWELL, will be despatched on or about the 11th May.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, April 28, 1881.

DIRECT COMMUNICATION BETWEEN HONGKONG AND AUSTRALIA.

FOR PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Taking through Cargo and Passengers at through rates for ADELAIDE and all NEW ZEALAND PORTS.)

The Steamship "Ocean," Captain H. WARDEN, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 19th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.  
Hongkong, May 2, 1881. my19

NOTICE.  
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.  
The Co.'s Steamship "Tunis," Commandant REYNIER, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, April 28, 1881.

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The Co.'s Steamship "Tunis," Commandant REYNIER, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, April 28, 1881.

NOTICE.

FOR NEW YORK.  
The S/S L.L. American Bark "Hedyn Brown," C. H. HAVENER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
VOGEL & Co.  
Hongkong, April 28, 1881.

FOR NEW YORK.  
The S/S L.L. German Bark "Marie," Captain J. NICO, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

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Hongkong, April 28, 1881.

## Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.  
FOR LONDON.  
The A 1 British Bark "Cora," J. Lavin, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
VOGEL & Co.  
Hongkong, April 19, 1881.

FOR LONDON.  
The S/S L.L. German Bark "Hermann," OSTERMANN, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
VOGEL & Co.  
Hongkong, March 21, 1881.

## Mails.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUERZ, PORT SAID, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, NICOLO, SUEZ, SOUTHAMPTON, AND LONDON.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship ZAMBESI, Captain A. SYMONS, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port for BOMBAY, on THURSDAY, the 12th May, at 4 p.m.

Cargo will be received on board until 10 a.m. on the day of departure.

Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 10 a.m. on the day of departure.

Silk and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Point de Galle; but Tea and General Cargo at Bombay, arriving one week later than by the direct route via Galle.

For further Particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong. The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.

A. McIVER, Superintendent.  
Hongkong, May 2, 1881. my12

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA VIA KOBE AND INLAND SEA.

THE S. S. KOKONOEY MARU, Capt. D. H. LEBLANC, due here on or about the 9th Instant, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 14th May, at Daylight.

Cargo received on board and Parcels at the Office up to 5 p.m. of 13th May. No Bill of Lading signed under \$2 Freight.

All Claims must be settled on board before delivery is taken; otherwise they will not be recognized.

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THE *CHINA REVIEW*, or *Notes and Queries on the Far East*, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., about the papers published, and the circulation justly, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$6.50 postage paid, per annum, payable by no residents in Hongkong, and in advance.

The publication includes papers original and selected upon the Arts and Sciences, Ethnology, Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Manners and Customs, Natural History, Religion, &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelago and the "Far East" generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each number.

Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Portuguese, are admissible. Endeavours are made to present a résumé in each number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the Review department.

Notes and Replies are classified together as "Notes" (head references being given, when furnished, to previous Notes or Queries), as are also those queries which, though asking for information, furnish new facts or observations on subjects already in hand. It is desirable to make the Queries proper as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The *China Review* for July and August, 1876, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the best paper on the advantages of Christianity for the development of a State. All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and enterprising Review. It is a sixty paged, bi-monthly paper, and what scholars have been ascertaining about China. The lecture on Chinese Poetry in this volume is alone worth the price of the Review. Address *China Review*, Hongkong—Northern Christian Advocate (U.S.).

Trimmer's *Oriental Record* contains the following notice of the *China Review*:—"This is the title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set on foot as in some respects a continuation of *Notes and Queries on China and Japan*, the extinction of which under the name of *Notes and Queries* has been much regretted in Europe as well as in China. The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards China and the neighbouring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the *Calcutta Review*. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publication as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are so generally represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Dr. Legge's *Six Kings*, by the Rev. E. J. E. King, to which the place of honour is deservedly given, an excellent summary is presented of the chronological problems and arguments involved in connection with this important work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style; and an account of the career of the Chinese poet-statesman of the eleventh century, Su Tung-p'o, by Mr. E. O. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the Review, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects will evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the *China Review* may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine."

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